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PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**
TRANSMITTAL FORM (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)#11
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This is a **request for continued examination** under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (RCE) of pending application Serial No. 09/994,983, filed on **November 26, 2001**, entitled **FLOOR MOP**.The following constitute the submission **required** by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(a) and is attached:

- ☒ Please enter the enclosed Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 dated April 23, 2003 responsive to February 26, 2003 Final Office Action.
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement
- ☐ Drawing Changes
- ☐ Other Submission

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1. The filing fee for this RCE and the required amendment/submission is calculated below. The fee below is calculated based on the status of the claims after the entry of the attached amendment/submission. The fee for any new additional claims is included with this RCE, the fee for previously entered additional claims having already been paid.

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	MINUS	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT NUMBER EXTRA	RATE (\$) PER CLAIM	FEE (\$)
BASIC FEE						750.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	20		20	0	18.00	0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	8		3	5	84.00	420.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM						
				*Number extra must be zero or larger	TOTAL	1,170.00
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2. Please charge the required RCE and submission filing fee of **\$1,170.00** to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**.
3. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fees, including any additional and/or extension fees required, associated with this communication or arising during the pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**.
4. A duplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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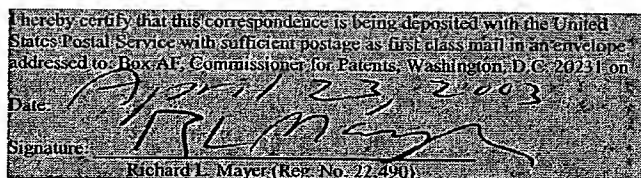
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Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application is a Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116.

No fee is believed to be required. However, if any fee is required, please use Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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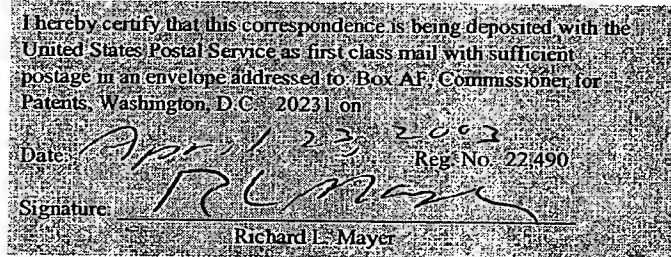
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SIR:

This paper addresses the Final Office Action dated February 26, 2003. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration in view of the amendments and remarks below.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 19 and 29, without prejudice, as follows:

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19. (Amended) A floor mop comprising: two carrier plates connected to a common carrier center piece in jointed manner and which carry an absorbent mop covering, a mop handle affixed on the carrier center piece, and a wringer slide which is movable along the mop handle, the wringer slide having two rigid wringer arms, each of which is movably engagable with a back of one of the two carrier plates, wherein the mop handle